# Join the Youth Advisory Committee



## Make a Difference!







#### What is the Youth Advisory Committee all about?

The purpose of the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) is to serve as the prominent voice representing the youth in our community. As a group of dedicated teenagers, YAC focuses on tending to the recreational, leisure, and social needs and interests of young people.

#### What do Youth Advisory Committees do?

- Encourage teen leadership and responsibility through involvement.
- Explore and identify issues and concerns of special importance to teens and communicates those issues to Park and Recreation Commission.
- Looks for ways to promote mutual understanding, respect and communication with teens of all cultures and backgrounds.
- Create new youth and teen programs.
- Organizes special events to serve the needs of the teens in the community.
- Developing Community Assets: Involving youth in leadership roles for planning, implementation, and evaluation of programs and creating opportunities for youth to build assets among their peers and young children



"Roofless" Band Concert



Centennial Recreation Center in Construction



Outdoor Movie Night



YAC Retreat

### Okay, so how do I become a YAC Member?

To qualify for one of the nine Board Member positions or to be an Associate Member, you must be:

- A resident of the City of Morgan Hill.
- Between the ages of 13-19.
- Willing to commit time and energy (about 6-8 hours a month for meetings and committees).
- Willing to represent the youth of Morgan Hill by talking with them, listening to them, and sharing their thoughts and ideas at the monthly YAC meetings.

Applications are submitted to the Recreation & Community Service Department for consideration and appointment. Board Member recruitment normally begins in May and the term begins in July unless a vacancy occurs prior to the term expiration. Terms of office are for two years (one year if you are a senior in high school). All Morgan Hill teens who wish to make a difference and be a voice of the youth in the community are encouraged to apply.

YAC ATTACK YAC ATTACK (Animal Balloons (Animal Building Team Building Workshop)





YAC Members
In Action



Cultural Dance Show



Project Cornerstone's Neighborhood Connections

### YAC Members

#### Have attended and participated in:

- Annual regional YAC Attack Youth Conference
- Quarterly Community Service Projects
- Presentations before the City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission, Library Culture and Arts and Senior Advisory Commissions.
- Grand Opening of the Centennial Recreation Center, Teen Center
- Open Mic Night at Jumpin Juice 'N Java
- Youth and Teen Recreation Programs at the Community and Cultural Center
- Cultural Dance Show at the Community & Cultural Center and Playhouse
- Grand Opening of the Interim Skate Park
- Grand Opening of the Community and Cultural Center
- Art ala Carte
- Fundraiser Events: Magic Show at the Community Playhouse
- Annual Fourth of July Parade
- League of California Cities Conference

### **Community Services**



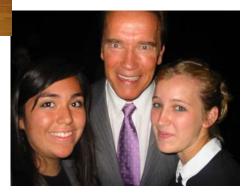
### YAC ATTACK



Ethic Workshop with the City Manager



**CRC** In Construction



League of California Cities Conference

## YAC Annual Events

- "Roofless" Band Concert
- Teen Fashion Show
- Free Halloween Teen Movie Night
- Art a la Carte
- Senior Citizen Ball
- Youth Leadership Program



Open Mic Night



**Roofless Band Concert** 



Skate Jam



**Cultural Dance Show**